

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1371–S1472*

**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 364–373, S. Res. 26, and S. Con. Res. 4. **Pages S1431–32**

**Measures Passed:**

*Authorizing Use of the Capitol Rotunda:* Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 27, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony in honor of the bicentennial of the birth of President Abraham Lincoln. **Page S1472**

**Measures Considered:**

**American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1, making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S1371–87, S1387–1427**

**Adopted:**

By 52 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 34), Coburn Amendment No. 109 (to Amendment No. 98), to strike the \$246 million tax earmark for Hollywood production companies. **Pages S1387–97, S1399–S1400**

Mikulski/Brownback Amendment No. 104 (to Amendment No. 98), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an above-the-line deduction against individual income tax for interest on indebtedness and for State sales and excise taxes with respect to the purchase of certain motor vehicles.

**Pages S1397–99, S1400–03**

Harkin Modified Amendment No. 178 (to Amendment No. 98), to provide an additional \$6,500,000,000 to the National Institutes of Health for biomedical research. **Pages S1405–06, S1420–21**

**Withdrawn:**

Specter/Durbin Modified Amendment No. 101 (to Amendment No. 98), to provide an additional \$6,500,000,000 to the National Institutes of Health for biomedical research. **Pages S1403–05, S1420**

**Pending:**

Reid (for Inouye/Baucus) Amendment No. 98, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1371–74**

Murray Amendment No. 110 (to Amendment No. 98), to strengthen the infrastructure investments made by the bill. **Pages S1374–87**

Vitter Amendment No. 179 (to Amendment No. 98), to eliminate unnecessary spending. **Pages S1406–08**

Isakson/Lieberman Amendment No. 106 (to Amendment No. 98), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a Federal income tax credit for certain home purchases. **Pages S1421–22**

Feingold Amendment No. 140 (to Amendment No. 98), to provide greater accountability of taxpayers' dollars by curtailing congressional earmarking and requiring disclosure of lobbying by recipients of Federal funds. **Pages S1422–27**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 58 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 33), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive Section 204(a) 5A of S. Con. Res. 21, FY08 Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to Murray Amendment No. 110 (to Amendment No. 98), to strengthen the infrastructure investments made by the bill. Subsequently, a point of order that the emergency designation provision in the amendment was in violation of section 204(a) 5A of S. Con. Res. 21, FY08 Congressional Budget Resolution was sustained, and the provision was stricken.

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By 71 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 35), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to waive section 201(a) of S. Con. Res. 21, FY08 Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to Mikulski/Brownback Amendment No. 104 (to Amendment No. 98), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an above-the-line deduction against individual income tax for interest on indebtedness and for State sales and excise taxes with respect to the purchase of certain motor vehicles.